CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 1. A method for monitoring information in a knowledgebase framework, comprising the steps of:
 - (a) obtaining information from at least one data source utilizing a network;
- (b) generating a knowledge model-based index for the obtained information as a function of a knowledge model, where the knowledge model includes a plurality of categories, where each of the plurality of categories is interrelated to at least a respective one of the plurality of categories;
- (c) receiving information relating to a target to be tracked in the knowledge model-based index from a user utilizing the network;
 - (d) monitoring the network for changes to the target;
 - (e) retrieving data relating to the monitored changes; and
 - (f) transmitting the retrieved data to the user utilizing the network.
- 2. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the target comprises at least one of: a publication, a person, a therapeutic area, a disease, a biological target, an organization, a compound, a patent, and a drug.
- 3. A method as recited in claim 1, further comprising the step of storing the received information in memory

- 4. A method as recited in claim 1, further comprising the step of: receiving an indication that the user has logged on to the network, and wherein the retrieved data is transmitted to the user after receipt of the indication.
- 5. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein a pharmaceutical database is monitored for changes relating to the target.
- 6. A method as recited in claim 1, further comprising the step of alerting the user that a change to the target has been monitored utilizing a network.
- 7. A method as recited in claim 1, further comprising the steps of permitting the user to input a search term utilizing the network, searching for items associated with the search term, and displaying items associated with the search term to the user utilizing the network.
- 8. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the network comprises an intranet of an organization and the Internet.
- 9. A computer program embodied on a computer readable medium for monitoring information in a knowledgebase framework, comprising:
- (a) a code segment that obtains information from at least one data source utilizing a network;
 - (b) a code segment that generates a knowledge model-based index for the obtained

information as a function of a knowledge model, where the knowledge model includes a plurality of categories, where each of the plurality of categories is interrelated to at least a respective one of the plurality of categories;

- (c) a code segment that receives information relating to a target to be tracked in the
 knowledge model-based index from a user utilizing a network;
 - (d) a code segment that monitors the network for changes to the target;
 - (e) a code segment that retrieves data relating to the monitored changes; and
 - (f) a code segment that transmits the retrieved data to the user utilizing the network
- 10. A computer program as recited in claim 9, wherein the target comprises at least one of: a publication, a person, a therapeutic area, a disease, a biological target, an organization, a compound, a patent, and a drug.
- 11. A computer program as recited in claim 9, further comprising a code segment that stores the received information in memory.
- 12. A computer program as recited in claim 9, further comprising a code segment that receives an indication that the user has logged on to the network, and wherein the retrieved data is transmitted to the user after receipt of the indication.
- 13. A computer program as recited in claim 9, wherein a pharmaceutical database is monitored for changes relating to the target.

- 14. A computer program as recited in claim 9, further comprising a code segment that alerts the user that a change to the target has been monitored utilizing a network.
- 15. A computer program as recited in claim 9, further comprising a code segment that permits the user to input a search term utilizing the network, a code segment that searches for items associated with the search term, and a code segment that displays items associated with the search term to the user utilizing the network.
- 16. A computer program as recited in claim 9, wherein the network comprises an intranet of an organization and the Internet.
- 17. A system embodied on a computer readable medium to monitoring information in a knowledgebase framework, comprising:
 - (a) logic that obtains information from at least one data source utilizing a network;
- (b) logic that generates a knowledge model-based index for the obtained information as a function of a knowledge model, where the knowledge model includes a plurality of categories, where each of the plurality of categories is interrelated to at least a respective one of the plurality of categories;
- (c) logic that receives information relating to a target to be tracked in the knowledge model-based index from a user utilizing a network;
 - (d) logic that monitors the network for changes to the target;
 - (e) logic that retrieves data relating to the monitored changes; and
 - (f) logic that transmits the retrieved data to the user utilizing the network.

- 18. A system as recited in claim 17, further comprising logic that receives an indication that the user has logged on to the network, and wherein the retrieved data is transmitted to the user after receipt of the indication.
- 19. A method for monitoring information in a knowledgebase framework, comprising the steps of:
- (a) obtaining a plurality of data records from at least one data source utilizing a network;
- (b) generating a knowledge model-based index for the data records as a function of a knowledge model, where the knowledge model includes a plurality of categories, where each of the plurality of categories is interrelated to at least a respective one of the plurality of categories, where each one of the data records is associated with at least one of the plurality of categories;
- (c) generating a graphical user interface of the knowledge model, where the graphical user interface is operable to display at least one of the plurality of categories, where the graphical user interface is further operable to display a link to a respective data record associated with a respective one of the plurality of categories;
- (d) allowing a user to browse the plurality of categories and the data records
 associated with the categories;
- (e) receiving information relating to a target to be tracked in the knowledge modelbased index from the user utilizing the network;
 - (f) monitoring the network for changes to the target;
 - (g) retrieving data relating to the monitored changes; and

- (h) transmitting the retrieved data to the user utilizing the network.
- 20. The method of claim 19, where the target comprises a respective category.
- 21. The method of claim 19, where the target comprises a respective data record.